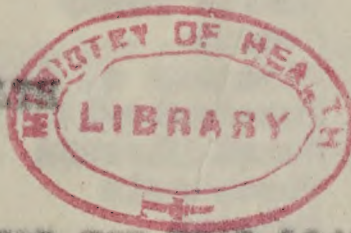


ANNUAL REPORT
of the
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
to the



SAINT IVES URBAN SANITARY AUTHORITY FOR THE YEAR 1942.

Gentlemen,

I beg to present my Annual Report for the year 1941. The Ministry of Health has again this year asked for an ordinary report.

The area of Civil Parishes contained in this District is 4,340 acres.

The normal resident population for the area as now constituted (augmented by evacuees) 8,900

The number of inhabited houses in 1942 was 2,948.

Rateable Value £56,705

Sum represented by a penny rate £237.

VITAL STATISTICS

	Total	M	F.
LIVE BIRTHS: Legitimate	118	64	54
Illegitimate	7	5	2
Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population:	13.8		
STILL BIRTHS:	4	2	2
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	31.0		
DEATHS:	130	51	79
Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population:	14.3		
Deaths from puerperal causes:	Nil.		
Death Rate of Infants under 1 year:			
All Infants per 1,000 live births:	8		
Legitimate infants per 1,000 leg. live births	8.5		
Illeg. infants per 1,000 illeg. live births	Nil.		
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	23		
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	Nil		
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	Nil		
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 5 years)	Nil.		

Causes of Death.

Senile Decay	33
Cancer	18
Diseases of the Arteries	10
Tuberculosis	6
Heart Disease	6
Thrombosis	12
Suicide	3
War Operations	2
Kidney Disease	3
Other Causes	11
Total	104

Four of the deaths from Tuberculosis were females and 2 males.
No infants under 12 months died.

Diseases notified during 1942.

Disease	Total cases notified	Cases admitted to hospital	Total deaths
Enteric Fever	1	-	-
Scarlet Fever	34	24	-
Whooping Cough	25	-	-
Diphtheria	14	11	1
Erysipelas	5	-	-
Measles	17	-	-
Pneumonia	4	-	8
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-	-
Cerebro Spinal Fever	2	2	2
Total	103	37	11

Tuberculosis;

Age Period	New Cases		Deaths	
	Respiratory	Non-Respiratory	Respiratory	Non-Respiratory.
1-	-	-	-	-
2-	-	-	-	-
15-	2	1	-	-
25-	1	-	1	1
35-	2	-	1	-
45-	-	1	-	-
55-	2	-	-	1
65 and over	1	1	2	-
Total	8	3	4	2

Public Health Staff.

There is a qualified Sanitary Inspector who is also Surveyor. The Medical Officer of Health, and a certified Assistant Sanitary Inspector who is employed full time. A considerable amount of time is taken up with Civil Defence work, Salvage etc.

Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

Number of dwellings inspected requiring defects remedied	76
Number of dwellings in which defects were remedied after service of informal notices (by owners)	73
Statutory notices served. Remedied by owners	3
Nuisances discovered were as follows :-	
Damp and dilapidated dwellings	25
Defective yard paving	1
Defective and choked drains	34
Dangerous buildings	3
Defective Water Closets	15
Insufficient W.C. accommodation	1
Overflowing Cesspits	3
Foul accumulations	2
Dirty premises	4
Rat infested premises	3
Overcrowding	6
Visits made in connection with the above: Primary	115
re Ins-ctions	120

Arrangements for Disinfection: After all cases of dangerous infectious diseases the rooms are disinfected by fumigation with Killgerm. 56 houses have been so done.

Inspections of Places where Food is prepared.

There are 9 Bakehouses, all of which are frequently inspected and have been kept in good sanitary condition. There are also 12 restaurants, Cafes and other places where food is prepared. These have also been inspected and all found satisfactory.

Factories Act.

Clothing and Sew Factories	4	Box Factory	1
Fishermans Requisites	2	Bakehouses	9
Boot repairers	13	Basket maker	1
Plumbers etc	6	Blacksmiths	2
Carpenters, builders	11	Boat Builder	1
Motor Mechanics and Garages	6	Engineering Works	3
Steam Laundry	1	Pottery Works	1
Ivory works	1	Upholsterers	3
Arrested water works	1	Printers	3

Schools.

There is a new Senior School now in operation.

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Milk and Dairies Order.

There are 52 producers and 28 retailers registered in the Borough. 17 out of the 52 producers are also retailers. 11 are retailers only, a total of 63 establishments engaged in the production, distribution of milk. There were no cases of infectious diseases notified at any of these places during the year. 65 visits have been made to farms, and instructions given as to cleansing of premises, cattle and attention drawn to the provision of the Milk and Dairies Order 1926.

10 samples of milk were taken during the year and analysed for cleanliness. 4 of these failed to pass the test, and the sellers were notified and requested to take proper precautions for keeping the milk clean.

Slaughterhouses.

As before, all slaughterhouses is now done at a central depot at Penzance. The premises from which the meat is distributed to the local butchers have been periodically inspected and found satisfactory.

Food Condemned.

The following articles of food have been voluntarily surrendered, inspected and condemned as unfit for human consumption.

- 525 lbs of tinned meat.
- 52 lbs of tinned fish
- 56 lbs of tinned vegetables.
- 90 lbs tinned fruit
- 225 tins of milk
- 22 lbs Cheese
- 414 lbs Biscuits
- 26 lbs cake.

Housing Acts.

Work under these Acts has been practically suspended for the duration of the War.

I have continued to receive valuable assistance in my work from the Sanitary Inspector, Mr. H.E. Phillips, A.R.S.I., and the Assistant Inspector, Mr. W.F. Fairbrother, both of whom have, by their loyal co-operation, and the effective discharge of their duties, assisted very greatly in the Sanitary Control of the Borough.

I am Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant.

R. W. Hadfield
Medical Officer of Health.